1. What is the Tempe Youth Diversion Program?

The Tempe Youth Diversion Program is an option for youth cited in the City of Tempe for curfew or alcohol violation to have their first offense dismissed upon successful completion of the diversion program.

2. What are the goals of the Youth Diversion Program?

- 1. Direct the juvenile offender toward more positive and responsible behavior.
- 2. Intervention at an early stage to avoid the possibility of further progression to more serious offenses.

3. What are the benefits of the YDP Program?

Successful completion of the program will result in the dismissal of the designated criminal charge(s), and the participant avoids the repercussions of a criminal conviction.

4. What happens to the criminal charge(s) if I am accepted into the YDP Program?

Prosecution is suspended until the youth completes the diversion requirements as prescribed by the Tempe Youth Diversion Program. Upon completion of the diversion program, the prosecutor will then file a motion to dismiss the designated criminal charge(s).

5. Requirements for the YDP Program:

The youth will participate in a 4-hour educational program provided by Tempe Human Services. This educational program will address the following areas: substance abuse, communication skills, conflict resolution, goal-setting, and community referral resources. The youth must bring a photo ID when he/she reports to the class.

6. Registration: Prior registration is required by the contact date that appears in the court order or the case will be referred back to Court. The parent or legal guardian is required to register the youth in person at Tempe Human Services or by phone with an approved credit card by calling 480-350-5400. The youth must bring this form signed and dated by both the parent or legal guardian and the participant at the time of the class.

Class time: 10:00 am. - 2:00 pm. Doors close promptly at 10:00 am.

Registration takes place at Tempe Human Services located at: 2nd floor of the Tempe Public Library Building 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe (South of Southern Avenue on the west side of Rural Road).

Office hours: 8:00AM - 5:00PM M-F

7. Is there a program fee?

The \$65.00 class fee and \$50.00 court fee (Total = \$115.00) is non-refundable and due at the time of registration. A class may only be rescheduled once with a 48-hour advanced notice prior to the class. The rescheduling fee is \$25.00. If you fail to attend or reschedule the class, you will have to re-register and pay the full amount again no later than the Monday immediately following the class. Failure to do so will result in the case being re-referred back to the court. Cash, credit and debit cards are accepted. No personal checks or American Express accepted.

8. What are the Youth Diversion Program guidelines?

- Participants must be courteous and respectful of the facilitator and each other.
- 2. Participants must actively participate in all activities.
- 3. Participants must cooperate with the program and no disruptive behavior will be allowed.
- 4. Participants who do not follow the above guidelines will be removed from the group and their parents will be called to pick them up.
- 5. Participant's parent or legal guardian must sign youth in and attend the first ½ hour of the program.

^{**}Please note: Class is <u>not</u> held at Tempe Public Library

CONSENT FOR CLIENT PARTICIPATION:

I fully understand the policies and procedures of the Youth Diversion Program stated in this document. I acknowledge receipt of a copy of this document and give permission for my child to participate.

Youth Participant	Date
Parent or Legal Guardian	Date
Emergency contact:	
Name (Please print)	Phone #

Address: Escalante Center 2150 E Orange Street Tempe, AZ 85281 Directions:

Entrance to Escalante Center is off Orange Street. Take Price Road to Orange St. (between University and Apache Blvd) and go West until the street ends. Go to the main desk and ask for directions to the Brio Bravo room.





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